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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-505-I)

In the Application of:

Hillman, Jeffrey D.

Examiner: TBA

Serial No.: 10/092,243

Group Art Unit: 1653

Filing Date: March 6, 2002

For: Identification of Microbial Polynucleotides
Expressed During Infection of a Host

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

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Sir:

The last communication received from the Office in the above-mentioned case was a communication dated December 26, 2002. Applicant's respectfully request the status of the application.

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